

'HAVES' HOLD DAY'S STRIKE Special law to bar fighting wage reform

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Jerusalem Post Reporters

The Cabinet decided yesterday to prevent civil servants from challenging the salary reform in the courts by rushing a special law through the Knesset to give legal validity to the agreement between the Treasury and the Histadrut about the salary reform.

The decision came as 12,000 employees in the postal services, National Insurance branches, customs, income and property tax departments held a day's strike against cutting their pay. They decided yesterday to begin sanctions tomorrow week but they would not disclose any details.

The civil servants who enjoy special pay increments, and are now due to lose them by stages under the Treasury-Histadrut agreement, plan to file an appeal in the Labour Court. They will claim that their special pay increments are anchored in previous labour contracts which are still valid and which override the Treasury-Histadrut agreement abolishing the increments. However, a special bill to be presented to the Knesset would stipulate that the Treasury-Histadrut agreement annuls all previous labour contracts.

The Cabinet decided yesterday to empower the Ministers of Finance, Labour and Justice to draft the proposed validating law, and table it in the Knesset. They would be empowered to ask the Knesset Speaker to call a special session for this purpose, and also ask for all three readings to be carried out in a single day, so that the draft bill become law forthwith.

Finance Minister Rabinowitz reported on developments in connection with the implementation of the Barkai Committee's recommendations, and the agreement about civil servants' wages between the Treasury and the Histadrut, signed on April 25.

Prime Minister Rabin reported on the meeting which he and Rabinowitz held with representatives of civil servants who do not enjoy the special pay increments. Rabin said he told them the Government was resolved to implement the new wage agreement and maintain it.

The strikers suffered a setback yesterday when some 9,000 technicians and telephone operators in the Ministry of Communications, who also face loss of their specific allowances, continued working. The (Continued on page 2, col. 6)

UK agrees to El Al flying to Hongkong

By DAVID LANDAU

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Britain has agreed in principle to grant El Al landing rights in Hongkong. Transport Minister Gadhafi will begin detailed negotiations on the new air route in London this week.

The British Government's agreement-in-principle to the Israeli national carrier's long-standing request was obtained six weeks ago, but has not been made public.

El Al has sought landing rights in Hongkong as a vital step in its quest to strike out eastwards to Japan, and thence to the Western seaboard of the U.S. At present, El Al's easternmost port-of-call is Tehran.

Mr. Gadhafi will open the negotiations with the British minister at the Department of the Environment in charge of civil aviation, Mr. Stanley Clinton-Davis.

The Transport Minister will also address Anglo-Jewish's central independence day rally at the Royal Albert Hall, and will speak at other solidarity meetings in Britain and in Denmark.



Crown Princess Beatrix of Holland and husband Prince Claus on arrival at the King David Hotel in Jerusalem last night. The couple arrived in Israel last night for a four-day visit, as guests of Tel Aviv University. The Princess will dedicate a floor of the Sackler School of Medicine there on Thursday. See story—page 5. (Rahamim Israeli)

Nat'l Energy body to be established

Jerusalem Post Staff

Israel is to have a National Energy Authority, which will be responsible for planning the country's entire energy policy, and will handle the oil economy, oil exploration, the electricity economy, energy research, and the saving of energy. Commerce Minister Haim Bar-Lev will be responsible for it.

The Cabinet decided this at its weekly session yesterday, and empowered the Ministers of Commerce, Finance and Justice to prepare a draft law about the proposed National Energy Authority. This will have to be discussed in the Cabinet before it is tabled in the Knesset.

A committee appointed by the Premier on December 1, 1974, which reported back on April 22, 1975, was asked to define the powers of such an Authority under an appropriate new law. The minority on the committee suggested that the Authority act as a planning and coordinating body, leaving the present Ministries involved, with the same powers. But the majority on the committee called for an independent authority wielding comprehensive powers.

The Cabinet suggested yesterday that the oil economy would come under the new Authority instead of under the Ministry of Finance — as it does now. The purchase, refining, marketing, storage and distribution of oil are all involved. Another sphere to be transferred from the Finance Ministry to the Authority, will be responsible for all oil exploration under the 1952 Oil Law. This involves the Oil Exploration Investment Company and the National Oil Company.

The new Authority would take over the supervision of the Electric Corporation from the Commerce Ministry. It would take over from a large number of Ministries and State bodies the responsibility for energy research and development. (Continued on page 2, col. 6)

Six dead in road mishaps

Six persons were killed in road accidents yesterday, and 12 were injured, nine of them seriously.

Sonia Carmi, 66, of Netanya, was killed on Sderot Binyamin when hit by a pickup truck as she began to cross the road between two parked buses.

Four labourers from the Nuseirat refugee camp in the Gaza Strip were killed on the dirt road leading to the phosphate plant at Nahal Zin, when the pickup truck in which they rode overturned. Seven others were seriously injured, and were still unconscious at the Soroka Medical Centre in Beersheva yesterday evening. The dead were: Abdul Fatah Kari, 44; Khusa Said Elasar, 44; Abdul el-Tarzan, 50; and Mohammed Taya Saleiman, 29. The truck fell down from the road to a depth of six metres.

A motorcyclist from Jaffa, Myron Hilo, 17, was killed late Saturday night when he collided with a car in Rehov Nahlat Binyamin in Tel Aviv. Five other persons were injured — the car driver and one of his passengers seriously. (Him)

Special Knesset session today

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

The Knesset meets at 10 this morning for a special session, demanded by the Likud opposition bloc, devoted to the labour troubles in the civil service and to cuts in the education budget.

The Likud's Gula Cohen of the Gahal wing will present an urgent motion about the effect on the junior high school system of the reduction in the Education Ministry's budget for 1976/77.

The Likud's Zelman Abramov will present a second motion about the unrest and the strikes in the civil service, as a result of the Barkai salary reform, whereby Government employees who enjoy special pay increments are due to lose them.

Crosland to China

BAHRAIN.—British Foreign Secretary Anthony Crosland had talks here yesterday with the Foreign Minister of Bahrain, Sheikh Mohamed bin Mubarak al-Khalifa, during brief stop-over on his way to China and Japan.

Kissinger in Kenya for UN meet

NAIROBI, Kenya. — Secretary of State Henry Kissinger arrived here yesterday on the last and longest leg of his six-nation tour of Africa.

He returned to Nairobi to appear before the fourth United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) to present American ideas for helping developing countries.

In his speech, he is expected to propose establishment of an international resources bank to finance the production and export of raw materials in poor countries, and to insure investors against nationalization.

Throughout his trip, Kissinger has come out strongly in support of black majority rule in southern Africa, a dramatic change in American policy. A senior U.S. official on the Secretary's plane said yesterday he expects problems with large American corporations over a Kissinger proposal to enforce a ban on the import of Rhodesian chrome.

RHODESIAN OFFENSIVE

In Rhodesia, Army Commander Lt. Gen. Peter Walls said his troops will soon launch a full-scale "seek and destroy" offensive against black nationalist guerrillas designed to "wrap up" the drawn-out and intensifying war.

Explaining policy behind plans announced Saturday to mobilize thousands of white territorial (reserve) troops, Walls said in a newspaper interview published yesterday that the government has decided to switch from "contain and hold" to a "offensive posture."

"In the circumstances that have existed so far the terrorists were not going to win, but neither were we," said Walls. "Now they have a less prospect. Now we have the chance of getting to grips with it and wrapping it up."

As part of the new drive, the government will decide this week whether to extend the draft period from 12 to 18 months to get more troops in uniform.

A government spokesman said on Saturday night that the partial mobilization of territorials "for continuous service" would go into effect immediately. But no information was given on how many would be called up or exactly when. The armed forces have about 5,700 in uniform, and the territorials are estimated to number about 20,000.

Since just before Christmas in 1972, when the first shots were fired in the hit-and-run war, Rhodesian forces have killed 1,183 guerrillas for the loss of 99 of their own men, according to government figures. Nearly 400 civilians have been killed, most of them blacks. Twelve more guerrillas were reported killed on Saturday.

"There is an attitude of go, go, go," declared Walls. "We have a lot of trouble with terrorists using Mozambique as a haven from which to operate, and with terrorists in the traditional northeast 'Operation Hurricane' area. We have also had some incursions in new areas, including the southeast."

Rhodesia also announced yesterday that the main road between Rhodesia and South Africa would be reopened today. Armed troops will escort convoys of motorists, a police spokesman said.

A 285-km. stretch of the road between Fort Victoria and Beit Bridge on the South African border was closed by authorities April 18 after black nationalist guerrillas killed three South African tourists and blew up a train on the nearby Rhodesia-South Africa rail link.

There will be two convoys a day in each direction during daylight hours and no traffic at night. Night traffic on the railway line has also been suspended. (A.P., UPI)

Eight hurt as Arkia plane crash-lands on highway

By ZEEV SCHUL

Jerusalem Post Reporter

ROSH PINA.—A Kanaf-Arka plane made an emergency crash-landing on the Akko-Rosh Pina road just off the northwestern shore of Lake Kinneret shortly after five p.m. yesterday.

According to Arkia's managing director, Lew Bigon, the eight passengers were injured and were rushed to Poriya Hospital in Tiberias. Three of them were later transferred to Rambam Hospital in Haifa, where one was reported in serious though not critical condition last night. The other five were given first aid treatment and discharged.

The aircraft, a brand new twin-engine Cessna of the Piper family, seating nine, had taken off from Mahanayim airport near Rosh Pina shortly after five p.m. yesterday.

Pina shortly after five p.m., bound for Tel Aviv. It took off almost simultaneously with a British Islander bound for Jerusalem. The second aircraft proceeded without problems.

The Chieftain, one of three owned by Kanaf-Arka, reported some technical malfunctioning after take-off, involving its flaps, which forced the pilot to make an immediate landing without even the possibility of returning to the Mahanayim airfield. The only suitable landing area in the region, which is largely rock-studded slopes, was a field of alfalfa north of the lake. It was there that the pilot managed to put down his aircraft successfully.

The plane, bought one month ago for \$125,000, was a total loss.

Katzir cancels French trip over inadequate welcome

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Israel does not intend to turn France's refusal to adequately welcome President Katzir into a full-blown diplomatic dispute. Officials confirmed yesterday that President Katzir had called off a planned visit to Paris because President Giscard d'Estaing would not accord him the treatment befitting a head of state. But they said the issue was "not as serious as press reports made out."

In a brief statement "in reply to questions" the President's bureau in Jerusalem announced that Prof. Katzir had been invited "to attend two international scientific symposia this summer — one in Britain and the other in France."

"In view of the circumstances created," the statement said, "the President has decided — upon the Foreign Minister's recommendation — to travel only to Britain."

In Britain — as reported in The Post last week — Prof. Katzir will lunch with Queen Elizabeth at Buckingham Palace.

The visit to London will be private in terms of protocol. Prof. Katzir was invited by the Royal Society to attend a symposium in honour of Sir Ernest Chain, the Anglo-Jewish savant, who is celebrating his 70th birthday.

The visit to France, too, was to have been a private one — the President had been invited to attend a conference to be held at the Roth-

schild-funded Institut de Biologie Physicochimique on "Coupling Reactions in Biological Systems." The conference is in memory of the President's late brother, Prof. Abraham Katzir-Katchalsky, who was killed in the Lod Airport massacre in 1972.

Even on a private visit, though, a head of state is customarily accorded certain honours by his opposite number — such as a lunch or dinner. But when the Israel Embassy in Paris put out "feelers" to the Quai d'Orsay, it became clear that Mr. Giscard d'Estaing was prepared only to grant Prof. Katzir an audience in his office.

The Foreign Ministry here considered this a slight to the President, and counselled him to strike Paris off his itinerary.

In Paris, officials at the Quai d'Orsay reacted angrily in diplomatic contacts yesterday to Israeli press revelations that the visit had been cancelled because of inadequate hospitality.

Reuters cited "informed sources" in the French capital who said there had been controversy with Israeli officials over whether protocol required President Giscard to receive President Katzir for lunch. There would, they said, have been an audience with Giscard d'Estaing. Britain's Queen Elizabeth had made private visits to France without lunching with him.

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Remembrance Day

is the day on which the people of Israel remember their dear ones, fallen in the battles of Israel. On Monday, May 3, at 3 p.m., the President, Prime Minister, Ministers, Members of the Knesset, and all members of the House of Israel will light a memorial lamp at the Western Wall in Jerusalem to their fallen at that time.

FOR A STRONG ECONOMY
ISRAELI BONDS

Cabinet argument on West Bank elections

By DAVID LANDAU

Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

There were recriminations in the Cabinet as ministers examined the outcome of last month's West Bank elections. Several ministers complained that the Cabinet had been misled before the elections by erroneous assessments of their likely outcome.

Defence Minister Shimon Peres, on the other hand, presented a relatively upbeat review of the election results despite the heavy preponderance of acknowledged nationalist candidates. He noted that the new situation would at least afford an opportunity for the Israeli authorities to get to know a more representative local leadership.

But a number of ministers rehearsed the argument — that has already been advanced by commentators in Israel and abroad — that the election results in effect enable the PLO to get in through the back-door. Israel would be dealing with avowed PLO sympathizers —

despite its declared determination not to negotiate with the Palestinian terrorist organization.

Cabinet sources also noted a marked "difference in nuance" between the Defence Minister and Premier Rabin. Rabin stressed his determination to put down the ongoing disturbances on the West Bank, using strong measures if necessary. He seemed far less sanguine than Peres as to the outcome of the municipal elections.

No ministers contended that the polls should have, or could have been postponed when it became clear that the pro-nationalist forces stood to make major gains. There was general agreement that such a move would have been damaging to Israel's image abroad. Once the elections had been announced,

they had to be held on time. Well-placed observers who reject the pessimistic view argue that it is being advanced now out of internal political motives — in order to hit at Defence Minister Peres. "There are Jewish-Jewish calculations behind these attacks," an observer ventured, "not Jewish-Arab ones."

It was facile and false, these observers added, for some ministers to assert now that the aim of encouraging a larger measure of "home rule" on the West Bank had been wrong, or had been the policy of only some government officials.

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200 killed in savage fights in Lebanon

Jerusalem Post Reporter and Agencies

Open warfare spread from Beirut to the countryside yesterday and police reported that more than 200 persons were killed since heavy fighting flared after Parliament on Friday postponed election of a new Lebanese President to next Saturday.

Presidential candidates campaigned, however, amid the heavy shelling and rocket fire which rocked the capital yesterday. A leftist Muslim militia group claimed it had taken strategic control of Beirut's port area from the Christian forces yesterday.

The Ambassadors, the largest militia in the Muslim alliance, said it occupied an office and a bank building that gives the leftists strategic control of the port area, a major objective since they forced the Christians out of the seaside hotel district last week. The group said leftist forces were regrouping for a "large-scale attack to complete their control of the area."

The Muslim group also said it repulsed an attack in the port area by remnants of the army loyal to President Suleiman Franjeh. The leftist group said the army unit lost two armoured vehicles, 10 men killed and a large number of wounded.

No version of the fighting was available from right-wing Christian Phalangists. However, Phalangist party leader Pierre Gemayel threatened to "fold the page of a political solution and seek other ways" if the leftist Muslim forces continued their attacks.

Fighting is now continuing on three fronts: in the commercial area of Beirut port, around the Christian town of Zahle in the valley east of Beirut, and in the less publicized central sector of Mount Lebanon, where leftists with Palestinian terrorists are attacking Christian villages.

The aim of the Muslim attacks is to drive a wedge inside the Christian enclave — which is now virtually a Christian state — in a bid to prevent any partition of the country.

In addition, leftist leader Kamal Junblatt himself has accused Syria of making a secret deal with Israel and the U.S. to station Syrian troops in Lebanon. He urged the convening of a reconciliation conference either in Paris or Cairo to avoid Syrian tutelage of Lebanon. Meanwhile, U.S. envoy Dean Brown is back in Beirut, and is apparently suggesting to Lebanese politicians to transfer the Lebanese problem to an international forum for discussion. This is regarded however just as a feeler.

A delegation of the Palestine Liberation Organization and several Lebanese politicians are due to arrive in Damascus for consultations over the cease-fire breakdown. It appears that Syria is in a delicate position because this is the fifth successive failure of the cease-fire agreements they have initiated. Syrian spokesmen are now denouncing Junblatt, but there is no word of any new troop movements by the Syrians.

Reagan back in race with big win in Texas

DALLAS.—Ronald Reagan stormed back into the race for the Republican Party's presidential nomination yesterday by crushing President Ford in the Texas primary election.

With nearly all results in from Saturday's balloting, the President had lost every one of the 96 delegate votes at stake for this summer's Republican nominating convention.

A record number of Texas voters, including Democrats and independents, gave Reagan the victory he needed desperately to revive his ailing candidacy. His delegates gained about two thirds of the ballots cast.

In securing 96 delegate votes with only his second win in the 10 primaries held to date, the former California governor and one-time Hollywood actor brought his delegate vote total to 232 — just 28 short of Ford's. Reagan is expected to pick up several more delegate votes in primaries in the next few days.

On the Democratic side in Texas, former Georgia Governor Jimmy Carter scored another clear win in his seemingly unstoppable drive for his party's nomination.

Carter, who has now won eight of the 10 Democratic primaries, captured 93 of the 98 delegate votes at stake for the Democratic nominating convention in July.

This far exceeded his expectation of about one-third of the delegate votes. He was up against a "favourite son" candidate, Texas Senator Lloyd Bentsen, who wanted to lead an uncommitted team of delegates to the convention. But in fact he won only five of the delegate votes, according to almost complete returns.

Senator Bentsen thus became another victim of the Carter momentum, which quickened in the past week with victory in the Pennsylvania primary. Senator Hubert Humphrey's decision not to enter

the presidential race, and Senator Henry Jackson's withdrawal as an active candidate.

The landslide for rightwing Reagan proved that President Ford was vulnerable in conservative-voting areas. Conservative support has always been regarded as necessary to win the party's nomination and vital if the nominee is to go on to win the general election against a strong Democratic candidate.

In Indianapolis, Indiana, Reagan said he was "still a little stunned" at the outcome and had not expected to win so many delegates.

John Connally, a one-time Texas governor and former U.S. Secretary of the Treasury, said Ford's efforts to rehabilitate the status of the U.S.-controlled Panama Canal had cost the President votes. Connally said most of the shipping from Texas ports goes through the Canal and Texas businessmen are concerned that the waterway may be handed over to the Panamanian government. Reagan has said he considers the Canal to be sovereign U.S. territory and would use military force to retain control of it.

Reagan's runaway broke the pattern of past primaries in which he had contested Ford. They usually have been close, Ford's biggest margin coming in Illinois, where he got 59 per cent of the vote. And the President had said he thought Texas would be a close race, forecasting at one point that he would win. He spent four days campaigning across the state, right up to election eve.

It was Reagan's second primary win, to seven for Ford. But Reagan won when he needed it most. In North Carolina on March 23, he scored an upset, just when Republican leaders had started talking about the prospect he would quit the race because of a succession of Ford victories. And in Texas, he provided evidence for his claim of strength across the southern tier of states. (Reuter, A.P.) (Carter's Middle East stand — page 4)

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REMEMBRANCE DAY

FOR THE FALLEN OF THE I.D.F. 5736

4 IYAR—MAY 4, 1976

Monday, May 3, 1976 — 3 Iyar

8.00 p.m. — Siren — Start of Remembrance Day

— Chief of Staff's address for Remembrance Day

— Lowering of the flag to halfmast

— The President of the State will light a Memorial Flame at the Western Wall

— Reading of psalms and Kaddish

— El Malei Rahamim (the ceremony will be broadcast live on Israel Broadcasting programmes, Galei Zahal, and TV)

— Lighting of Memorial Lights in the home

8.30 p.m. — Local Council Memorial Meetings

Tuesday, May 4, 1976 — 4 Iyar

7.00 a.m. — Lighting of Memorial Flame in Military Cemeteries

— Askara prayer in synagogues

7.25 a.m. — Address by representative of bereaved families (Israel Broadcasting programmes)

9.00 a.m. — Askara in schools and educational institutions

10.00 a.m. — The President of the State will inspect a guard of honour of Jerusalem Defenders at the Memorial facing Binyanei Ha'oma.

10.55 a.m. — Remembrance Day address to schools by Minister of Education and Culture (Israel Broadcasting programmes)

11.00 a.m. — Siren for minute's silence

— Askara in military cemeteries

— Askara in civilian cemeteries in which I.D.F. soldiers are buried

— Memorial Meeting of Youth and Gduda at I.D.F. memorials

3.00 p.m. — Thanksgiving prayer on Mt. Zion

6.50 p.m. — Bar Mitzva (termination of Remembrance Day and opening of Independence Day) by the Speaker of the Knesset.

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	Yesterday's High-Low	Today's High-Low
Jerusalem	18-27	18-30
Golan	15-20	15-23
Nahariya	14-23	14-24
Safed	12-20	12-23
Haifa Port	15-22	15-23
Tiberias	15-26	15-27
Nazareth	17-27	17-28
Atula	16-25	16-28
Shomron	11-25	14-26
Tel Aviv	19-25	17-24
B.G. Airport	18-25	16-23
Jericho	—	—
Gaza	18-23	15-25
Beerseheba	16-23	15-23
Beit	21-26	22-26
Tiran Straits	24-34	24-34

Social and Personal

President Ephraim Katzir yesterday received Prof. William Hawthorne of Churchill College, Cambridge University, and Mrs. Hawthorne.

The Charles Clore Hostel for cancer patients was dedicated yesterday in Givatayim in the presence of the donor, Sir Charles; Health Minister Victor Shemtov; British Charge d'Affaires Michael J. Newington; Givatayim Mayor Kuba Kreisman; the president of the Israel Cancer Society, Suzy Eban; chairman of the society, John Furman; director of the society, Dov Ben-Meir; and Yitzhak Oren, head of Mifal Hapayis. Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren officiated at the service.

Interior Minister Yosef Burg and Mexican Ambassador Dr. Benito Berlin yesterday inaugurated the Technion Medical School's new 13-story Kessel-Mexico student residence. Also present at the ceremony were Haifa Mayor Yeruham Zeisel, Technion President Amos Horev and members of the Kessel family.

Knesset Member Moshe Dayan entertained members of the United Jewish Appeal's Chicago Mission at his home last evening.

Members of the United Jewish Appeal's 1976 National Cash Mission met with Jewish Agency Executive Chairman Yosef Almog last night.

Ephraim Dovrat, economic adviser to the Minister of Finance, last night briefed members of the United Jewish Appeal's Overseas Programme 19.

IN MEMORIAM

A memorial plaque for physicians who fell in action was unveiled at Beit Harofeh in Haifa yesterday by the Israel Medical Association. The ceremony was attended by the bereaved families, Chief Army Chaplain Aluf Mordechai Piron, and participants of the IMA world assembly now in session.

Squatters ousted from J'lem flats

Police yesterday evacuated about 30 families of squatters from the Shukun Ovdin flats in the Patt quarter, arresting four women and one man after attempts to convince them to leave on their own had failed.

The families, from Katamon Tet, had taken over the new flats in Southern Jerusalem on Thursday.

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Rabbi Irving N. Weinberg, Netanya
Rabbi George Finkelstein, New York

Indian Jews: Re-open case of soldier deaths

By YAA'COV FRIEDLER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA — A committee of the Federation of Indian Jews will ask the Justice and Defence Ministers to order a civilian investigation into the deaths of two Enel Yisrael (Indian) soldiers found hanged in the Megiddo military prison in January.

An official Army inquiry commission which investigated their deaths concluded that they had "almost certainly" committed suicide. However, the verdict has not been accepted by the Federation, which represents some 30,000 immigrants. The spokesman said the "almost certain" finding "left room for gnawing doubts" regarding the deaths of Menahem Charikar and Elikan Nowgorkar, both 19.

The spokesman told *The Post* that they had established an actions committee at a special meeting on Saturday night. It includes representatives of the two soldiers' families. "We believe that the riddle of

the two boys' death has not been satisfactorily solved, even after the official board of inquiry published its findings. There are certain aspects of the case which make it impossible for us to remain silent," committee members told *The Post*.

"We do not presume to sit in judgment, but our doubts may eventually impact the reputation of the army and its institutions of justice. We feel very strongly that this case must be thoroughly investigated by an independent civilian board of inquiry," they said.

What particularly bothered them was the fact that the boys' lawyer had been refused permission to examine the bodies for a thorough examination, after "the somewhat hasty burial" and not been allowed into the prison for an inspection of the scene of the deaths.

They had appealed to the Chief of Staff and, on March 30, spoke to the chief of the Manpower Division, Aluf Rafael Vardi. On April 18, Aluf Vardi informed them in writing that the judge Advocate-General had re-examined the case. He concluded that there were no grounds for a further inquiry, and that no additional facts could be established. After studying the report, Aluf Vardi reached the same conclusion. The Chief of Staff, who knew of the meeting with the committee and of the Advocate-General's report, also approved the judge Advocate-General's findings.

Nevertheless, the committee members told *The Post*, "our minds have not been set at ease." They stressed that the Enel Yisrael community were a particularly quiet and peaceful people "who don't make headlines." Though they had no wish to cause a stir, they felt the civilian inquiry would be in everybody's interest.

Police sapper's widow miscarries

The young widow of Albert Levi, prominent police sapper killed by a terrorist bomb in Jerusalem last Wednesday suffered a miscarriage yesterday.

Rosette Levi, in her fourth month of pregnancy, was taken to Bikur Holim Hospital last Thursday night, suffering from an internal haemorrhage. The doctors gave in to her pleading to be allowed to go home to observe the shiva mourning period for her husband. Yesterday, the bleeding began again and she was taken back to the hospital, where it was ascertained that she had miscarried.

Mrs. Levi has two young children. (Itim)

Israel's climate cooler, too

By ZEEV SCHUL
Jerusalem Post Reporter

BEIT DAGON — Israeli meteorologists yesterday confirmed a U.S. intelligence report that average Northern Hemisphere temperatures were dropping and said the trend affected Israel as well.

The acting director of the Meteorological Service, Moshe Thaller, and the head of the forecasting service, Michael Levy, said the CIA report was supported by measurement of winter temperatures over Israel.

Noting that this trend had been observed since 1960, Thaller said reputable scientists had tried to extend the observations into forecasts for the next two decades. But whether the temperature drop would imply changes in regional precipitation totals was not yet known, he said.

Thaller did not think the present temperature changes were in themselves enough to change Israel's total precipitation values. Such phenomena would have to be preceded by changes in the Arctic ice ledges, he said.

Bension declared bankrupt for failure to pay IL25m. fine

TEL AVIV — Yehoshua Bension, former manager of the defunct Israel-British Bank, was declared bankrupt yesterday in District Court here, and his assets were ordered taken over by a receiver.

Bension is serving a 12-year prison term for stealing IL49m. of his clients' money. The Supreme Court, rejecting his appeal against the sentence in November, added a IL25m. fine to it. His inability to pay it was the grounds for the bankruptcy order. This is believed to be the first time a court in Israel has declared

a man bankrupt for failing to pay a criminal fine.

Judge Mordechai Ben-Dror issued the order yesterday despite an appeal to the Supreme Court — still pending — against the receiving order (warning of bankruptcy) issued by the District Court in January. He said the existence of an appeal did not mean that a previous ruling should not be implemented.

Judge Ben-Dror rejected, one by one, a series of arguments by Bension's attorney against the order. These included one — rejected by the Supreme Court when it imposed the fine — concerning Bension's poor health.

The bankruptcy order, the prosecution said yesterday, will enable the State to liquidate private assets belonging to Bension, which it could not touch before, in order to recover some of the money he stole. (Itim)



This photo, which appeared in *The Jerusalem Post Overseas Weekly* four weeks ago, will lead to a joyous reunion this evening in Jerusalem.

Sam Lubin traces little friend after 30 years

By AARON SKITNER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A strange and happy coincidence will culminate this evening when a tourist from Atlanta, Georgia, rings the bell at a Jerusalem flat and meets a young woman whom he has not seen in 30 years.

The tale began three months ago. Sam Lubin, an official at the Atlanta office of the U.S. Department of Labour, walked into the Israel Government Tourist Office there. "I expect to visit your country for the first time in May," he said as he pulled out a small snapshot from his jacket pocket.

"Now I wonder," he continued. "When I was about to be discharged from the U.S. Army after World War II, I was in charge of an UNRWA unit in the American military Zone of Germany. There was a large group of Jewish children — 500 to be exact — about to leave for Israel under the auspices of the Jewish Agency. Here's a picture of me with one of those kids. All I know is that her name was Penina and that she was five years old, and somehow had miraculously survived the death camps. Now, you may think I'm nuts, but do you think you folks could locate her?"

The workers in the Government Tourist Office agreed that the request was a pretty strange one. But one of them agreed to try.

A letter with a copy of the photo was airmailed to Ari Rath, editor of *The Jerusalem Post*. Though sceptical, Rath asked the night editor of the newspaper to print the photo. Its caption invited readers to identify the little girl.

There was no response, and the little girl's picture was filed away

together with the rest of the day's newspapers.

The editor of *The Jerusalem Post Overseas Weekly* was touched by the brief item and decided to run it.

The issue of the *Overseas Weekly* reached American subscribers on Tuesday, March 9. On Thursday evening, March 11, Sam Lubin was sitting in his living room, watching television, when the phone rang. It was a man in Los Angeles.

"Sorry to bother you," said the caller. "But I just went through my copy of *The Jerusalem Post Overseas Weekly* and I came across a picture of you with a little girl in Munich in 1946. Well, sir, that little girl happens to be my niece who is now living in Jerusalem."

Lubin couldn't believe his ears. When Sam Lubin and his wife arrived here last weekend they immediately began the search for "Penina," to learn if she indeed is the same girl photographed in the Munich railroad station 30 years ago.

Yesterday afternoon Sam Lubin found her at last. "Penina" is now married to a sabra and the mother of a girl aged five and a four-year-old boy.

This evening the Lubins will visit Penina's family in their Jerusalem flat.

Sam Lubin last night refused to identify "Penina," explaining that as a matter of courtesy this meeting must be a personal one. "If she agrees, I shall let you know," he told *The Post*. "After all, it was your newspaper that made all this possible, so it will be your newspaper which will be the first to know."

Civil service strike

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technicians' representatives had attended the meeting of the Haves in Tel Aviv yesterday but left when several works committee members demanded they be expelled from the coordinating committee.

The technicians deferred their strike after 47 per cent of them last week voted to oppose fighting the planned abolition. Their works committee leaders claimed they will hold a general strike from next Sunday. However, in view of the substantial opposition to strike and sanctions and the fact that strikers would not be paid for the days they are absent, it was questionable whether a strike — if held — would

last long. Most of the technicians in Haifa had opposed strikes or sanctions and close to 30 per cent of the technicians in Tel Aviv also voted in favour of putting up with the cut.

Meanwhile, leaders of the 40,000 civil servants who are demanding that all workers in the same grade receive the same pay, last night met Uziel Abrahamowitz, the chairman of the Histadrut Trade Union Department. At the meeting, which continued late into the night, they discussed a compromise whereby the have nots would be compensated for the special perks the haves receive.

The strike by workers of the Communication Ministry and the Treasury's Customs Department who protested yesterday against cuts in their specific pay allowances, caused inconvenience mainly to passengers at Ben-Gurion Airport and Haifa port, and immobilized mail delivery throughout the country.

Tourists at the airport could not make calls abroad nor send telegrams, and the airport's customs house was closed from eight a.m. onward. All the same, a number of customs men were on hand to supervise incoming passengers, to prevent smuggling and for security purposes.

Incoming passengers who arrived aboard the s.s. *Apollonia* at Haifa Port yesterday, who included 140 young men and women from Western Europe who came to work-study, were all perished by Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu, said they were impressed by all the participants' performances.

Kol takes a dislike to thin, that go thump in the Cabin

By DAVID LANDAU
Jerusalem Post Diplomatic Correspondent

"You are *hutzpadik*... I'll teach you manners!"

"You are falsifying my words..." These were some of the choice exclamations in a high-decibel exchange between Ministers Moshe Kol and Gad Ya'acobi at yesterday's Cabinet meeting. Ministers said the incident was one of the most strident altercations in recent Cabinet memory.

The issue, as both men later acknowledged, was not itself of major political or ideological significance. It concerned Egged's pledge to save money, provided the Government agrees to pump more funds into the cooperative.

"I'm frankly embarrassed to talk about it," Ya'acobi said last night. "The Cabinet isn't so bad. But Kol keeps interrupting other ministers with tendentious irrelevant remarks. He takes up so much of the Cabinet's time... I told 'You are simply falsifying my words'." Kol and Ya'acobi face each other across the Cabinet table. Ya'acobi's thumping on the table with his fist. "I said him: 'You are *hutzpadik*. You to learn manners. I shall teach manners'."

Kol stressed that his quest had been thoroughly relevant. "I had obviously stung the Trans Minister, he said."

The Tourism Minister and vet ILP leader said Ya'acobi, years his junior, had been too, to his ILP colleague Gil Hausner, pointedly calling "Azzow (Mister) Hausner of YI Gallil intervened, said Kol, out that the proper form of address was "Minister Hausner."

Soldiers held in ILIm. immigrant swindle

By YAA'COV ARDON
Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA — Two soldiers have been remanded into custody for swindling 110 Russian immigrant families out of over IL1m. and their rights to duty-free household goods, by setting up a bogus importing firm according to Consumer Council chairman Moshe Shahal, MK, and Aharon Kahana, head of the Better Business Bureau here.

They alleged that the two soldiers, whose native Russian apparently gained the confidence of newcomers, approached recent arrivals in immigration centres in the North. They persuaded them to surrender certificates exempting them from import duty and pay in advance for goods they thought they were getting at bargain prices. Some immigrants signed promissory notes if they had no cash.

Immigrants are said to have paid a flat rate of IL250 for delivery of a prepaid article anywhere in the country. When they notified the firm, Kol-Bo Le'Oleh, of their new address, they were told to come to its Haifa office. They found the door locked.

Both Shahal and Kahana blamed

the Absorption Ministry and Jewish Agency for failing to form immigrants clearly of rights and warn them against shifty fraud.

The BBB executive said he written to Absorption Minister Shimon Peres in January of that shortcoming. After receiving no reply, he wrote last month and was told only the ministry was informing it grants about the purchase of household goods. Kahana said he sidled the information inadequately.

Shahal said regulations on exemptions from immigrants served "an Israel Prize for it tude," and bordered on negligence by the Government and the Jewish Agency. He said he had app personally to the Minister of IL grant Absorption, Attorney-General Aharon Barak and Jewish Agency chairman Yosef Almog, but had taken any action. The Attorney General said he was considering proposal to make promissory for pre-paid consumer durables negotiable until the goods are delivered. But there was no competition in sight for any victims of case at present before the court.

Energy body formed

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including research into oil substitutes.

Also covered will be energy-saving throughout the economy, plans for use of energy in times of emergency and the necessary allocation of energy resources at such times.

The Cabinet noted that the last topic "had not been handled satisfactorily hitherto because there was no appropriate body wielding the requisite powers."

The Cabinet's decision to establish a National Energy Authority reflects not only the Cabinet's concern about inadequate coordination and planning in all these fields, but also a power shift as far as personalities are concerned.

The decision reflects Commerce Minister Bar-Lev's strong position inside the Cabinet as presently constituted under Premier Rabin. The late Pinhas Sapir, while he was Finance Minister, did not entertain the idea of letting the oil economy out of his purview, because of the financial and political ramifications. However, since he was usually too busy to attend to anything but the most general policy decisions, he left Dr. Zvi Dinstein, his adviser on the oil economy, in practical control, receiving Dr. Dinstein's absolute loyalty in return.

Finance Minister Yehoshua Rabinowitz, however, is willing to relinquish the extra power base which the oil economy represents. Rabinowitz has good relations with Bar-Lev and finds his own responsibilities at the Treasury to be enough to cope with, without keeping control of the oil economy in a form which is really symbolic.

There was speculation yesterday on the future position of Dr. Dinstein. All decisions on energy were taken by him and it is generally agreed that he is the most knowledgeable person on this subject in the country.

Dinstein chaired the committee that recommended the appointment of the energy authority. He is also known to disapprove of the Cabinet decision to appoint Bar-Lev to take charge of the authority.

He is regarded as the natural candidate for the post of chairman of the new authority.

THE WORLD JEWISH Youth Bible Contest's first round (in which there are no winners or losers) was held in Safed yesterday, with 25 youths from 14 countries taking part. The Israeli and U.S. teams were outstanding, but the judges' panel, headed by Knesset Speaker Yisrael Yeshayahu, said they were impressed by all the participants' performances.

MK Eliav, in new book, seeks equality for all

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — Arye (Lova) Eliav, MK, wants "a radical change within by non-violent parliamentary means" to deliver Israel from pending doom.

Presenting his new book, "Israel: The Dream and the Meaning," to the press yesterday, Eliav outlined a scenario which would enable a new political system to gain power in order to "achieve peace by returning territories since the Six Day War, and establishment of a social-democratic society which would create an egalitarian regime instead of a twisted society we now have."

In Eliav's view, the 4,250 inhabitants of the area under Israeli rule are divided thus: a lion non-citizen natives with rights (the Palestinians); half million frustrated citizens (the Arab Arabs); a million citizens feel discriminated against (most of Oriental origin); bourgeois kinds; and a few thousand "super citizens," the ruling elite.

To Professor Dr. Walter Stern

on your 70th birthday

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Your wife: ADI

Your daughter and son: RUTHIE AND HAGAI

Your son: RAFFY

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In deep sorrow, we announce the passing of our beloved mother, grandmother and sister

SONIA SHAPIRA
(née Bogomolno)

may she rest in peace.

The funeral will leave from Rambam Hospital, Haifa, at 12 noon, on Tuesday, May 4, 1976.

THE FAMILY

With deep sorrow, we announce the death of our dear mother, grandmother and great-grandmother

LOTTE LEONARD
who has passed away peacefully in her 92nd year.

The funeral will take place today, May 3, at 3.30 p.m. at Ezer Samir Cemetery.

Please refrain from condolence visits.

WOLFGANG LEWY and Family
Tel Aviv
WALTER LEONARD and Family
London

With deep sorrow, we mourn the death after a long illness of our son and father

MANNY MYERS

The funeral will take place at the Herzliya Cemetery on Monday, May 3, at 1 p.m.

Julie and Raphael Katz (South Africa)
Gary and Michael
Erryl and John (Canada)

Peggy and members of Ketora
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To Peggy and all members of Ketora
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Left to right: Avraham Asher, Ramzi Asam, Ya'acov Shoshan, Amram Yona, Shlomo Spiegel, Galia Agassi, Yehuda Horeah.

Seven get police medals for bravery

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The policeman who removed a bomb from the Zion Cinema in Jerusalem one year ago, a civilian who rescued children from a burning apartment, and a Druze Border police sergeant who rescued comrades under enemy fire were among the seven persons who yesterday received the Israel Police decorations for bravery.

The decorations, the second highest to be awarded by the police, were distributed yesterday by Inspector-General Shaul Rosolio in a ceremony at Beit Hashoter in Jerusalem.

Staff Sgt. Ya'acov Shoshan, now 4th national headquarters, was summoned to the Zion Cinema in Jerusalem on October 1967, when a bomb — one of the first planted in the city by terrorists — was discovered in the crowded theatre. He picked it up and raced with it down Jaffa Road

to the Russian Compound, where he left it in an open area. Moments later it exploded without causing injury.

The civilian, Avraham Asher of Tel Aviv, entered a burning apartment on Weizman Street in Bat Yam on January 12, 1971 and rescued a girl whose clothing and hair were already singed by flames. Re-entering the building with two policemen who had arrived at the scene, he helped rescue a man and a child from a flaming apartment at great personal risk. The two policemen, Shlomo Nativ and Yosef Barkat, will be awarded decorations for exemplary conduct.

The Druze sergeant, Ramzi Asam, was cited posthumously for his action on April 3, 1969, when a Border Police patrol came under fire at Al-Hama. Asam ordered the half-track he commanded to break through security fences and enter a minefield, under fire, to rescue

Israel trounces defending Italian Blue Team champs

By TANNAR HIRSCH
Special to The Jerusalem Post
ONITE CARLO — Israel's bridge team scored a major upset in the 1st round of the Bermuda Bowl tournament, routing the defending champions, Italy's Blue Team, a one of 20 victory points to Italy's one — or 102 to 32 international match points.

Israeli captain Reuben Kumin eyed the couples Lev-Romik and ochzeit-Levit throughout. They are opposed by what is generally considered to be Italy's best line-up: Belladonna-Forquet and Garozano.

Israel dominated the whole match. The young Israelis were unswayed by a reputation of their illustrious opponents and both outbid and outplayed the world champions.

The win will do much for Israel's morale and might crush an Italian already reeling from pre-tournament imbroglios. An Italian sayer, Leandro Burgal, a month ago filed charges against one of

Holland beats Israel in table tennis meet

By JACK LEON
Jerusalem Post Sports Reporter
Israel got off to a rather unimpressive start, when the 14-nation Second World University Table Tennis Championships began yesterday at Haifa University's main sports hall.

In their opening fixture in the preliminary round of the men's team championships, the Israelis suffered an astonishing 4-5 defeat by Holland, slumping disastrously after taking a seemingly invincible 4-1 lead. However, they made some amends for this lapse with a 5-1 victory over Thailand in a match between the only two Asian representatives in the week-long meet.

The host-country's side consists of Menahem Stein and Zvi Zacharias — both internationals — and Zvi Rathana, Shragal Levi and Shmuel Goldstein.

The Israelis were last night due to meet Austria, the fourth country in their group. Together with West Germany, Austria is favorite for the gold medal in this event.

In the corresponding girls' competition, Israelis Leora Winkler and Ina Zolis made an unhappy debut

Soviet drop-out rate in Vienna—60%

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter
The drop-out rate of Soviet Jewish emigrants at the transit camp in Vienna peaked last month at about 60 per cent, according to Jewish Agency Executive chairman Yosef Almog.

The figure, which he released at a press conference in Jerusalem yesterday, represented the largest percentage of monthly dropouts in several years — a figure which has been climbing steadily from 25 per cent in the early months of 1974 to 32 per cent in March 1975 and to 52 per cent last month.

Almog would not comment on the letter to the Prime Minister by MK Gideon Palti, who charged that HIAS (Hebrew Immigrant Aid Society), which is funded by the United Jewish Appeal, encourages Russian Jews to settle in North America at the expense of Israel.

The Executive chairman conceded that "not all Agency emissaries are good, but it is an exaggeration to say that they are all bad." The system will be changed following recommendations by the committee headed by Agency Director-General Moshe Rivlin and by the Horev Commission, now investigating aliya and absorption procedures. He said, however, that he has already decided to send high-level representatives of the Zionist Executive to separate countries who would coordinate activities of the various World Zionist Organization departments. Other officials would, correspondingly, coordinate activities among departments in Jerusalem.

He continued that "over 80 per cent of the goyim (emigrants) in the West have declared their desire to maintain contact with the State of Israel. Their interest in acting

on behalf of Israel — whether through fund-raising or joining organizations — is "growing," said Almog. The Agency's immigration department is offering "intensive services" to these Israelis living abroad in an effort to encourage their return.

Fielding several questions from reporters about why he refused to allow an Agency representative to attend the Commission of Inquiry on immigrants which ended yesterday in Jerusalem, Almog insisted that the Zionist Organization of Canada, which initiated and organized the commission, "is just one political faction which has acted as if they are the only one concerned about problems of absorption. Suppose every faction decided to set up its own commission; could we send a representative to each of them?" He added that if the Canadian Zionist Federation or any other roof organization were to take such an initiative, the Jewish Agency would be willing to send observers.

He did not comment on why the Absorption Ministry decided to send a representative to the Canadian commission.

Almog, who returned last week from a three-day visit to Paris, said that interest in and support for aliya in France is increasing. Guy de Rothschild, head of the French Jewish community, has agreed to set up an aliya committee there — an idea which was first suggested by Almog's predecessor, the late Pinhas Sapir.

Almog also reported that the French Jewish leader has agreed to help — financially and organizationally — to set up a fund to expand Jewish education in France. Rothschild will visit Israel soon to discuss the details.

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Soviet cellist 'plays in' for family's release



Cellist Victor Yoran was photographed yesterday outside the Finnish Embassy in Tel Aviv, as he began his three-day play-in calling for his family's release from the Soviet Union. (SBS)

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — Cellist Victor Yoran, who came from the Soviet Union in 1969, staged a musical demonstration yesterday to protest against the Soviet refusal to let his family join him.

Yoran, 38, set up his cello outside the Finnish Embassy and softly played Bach and Ravel for more than an hour.

The Finns have represented Soviet interests in Israel since Moscow broke diplomatic relations in 1967. The demonstration was timed to coincide with a day of solidarity in the U.S. for Soviet Jewry.

"I've tried everything else," said Yoran. "Maybe this will help." He brought his own wooden chair and his cello for the sidewalk concert.

Yoran defected from the USSR while on a visit to Vienna in 1969 when it became clear to him that the Soviets would not allow a musician of his reputation to emigrate. His wife, pianist Stella Goldberg, their son and his parents (who have no other children), have been denied exit visas.

Yoran has been unsuccessful despite efforts on his behalf by violinist Yehudi Menuhin and petitions signed by some of the world's most renowned musicians. He will continue his play-in today and tomorrow.

Davidovich widow asks burial for him in Israel

By SARAH HONIG
Jerusalem Post Reporter
TEL AVIV. — The widow of Col. (Res.) Yehon Davidovich, the World War Two hero and aliya activist who died of a heart attack at the age of 52 in Minsk last week, has asked that her husband's remains be buried in Israel.

Maria Davidovich accepted the suggestion of a British group active on behalf of Soviet Jews. No response has yet been received from Soviet authorities.

Reports received in Tel Aviv said hundreds of people had taken part in the Minsk funeral procession, despite KGB warnings. Davidovich was dressed in his Red Army uniform and a skullcap, and his coffin was decorated with paper Stars of David. In the procession were young

girls carrying Davidovich's 18 medals for bravery.

Col. Davidovich was eulogized by prominent activists, including Prof. Alexander Lerner of Moscow, Dr. Vital Rubin, Anatoly Sharanovsky and another former Red Army colonel who has been refused an aliya permit, Lev Osvischer.

On April 26 a large memorial rally was held for Davidovich at Moscow's sole synagogue.

At B'nai Brith House in Tel Aviv yesterday many Soviet immigrants participated in a memorial meeting, one week after his death. Speaking at the meeting, Zalman Abramov, MK, who heads the Public Council for Soviet Jewry, said Yehon Davidovich's many letters exposing Soviet anti-Semitism, protesting restrictions on Jewish emigration and expressing solidarity with Israel "make up a unique and historically significant collection of documents for Jews and humanists all over the world."

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Israel hopes to join EEC committees on standards

Israel will ask to join the European Common Market committees which deal with standards and will ask the EEC to accept those approved by the Israel Standards Institute. These subjects and others will be discussed with Olav Gunlach of Finland, the EEC commissioner responsible for the community's internal market, who arrived in Jerusalem early yesterday morning.

The EEC has already decided on the standards of about 60 products and is currently discussing standards of another 65. Israel is seeking to influence the decisions on the latter group.

It was learned yesterday that Israel will consider changing its existing standards in those products on which the market has already decided. The reason for this is that although 80 per cent of Israel's exports can freely enter Europe, without customs, some are difficult to market because they do not adhere to European standards. The negotiations with Gundlach are aimed at overcoming these difficulties.

Gundlach will meet with Commerce and Industry Minister Eitam Bar-Lev, with Agriculture Minister Aharon Uzan, and with leaders of the Histadrut and private industry.

A SPECIAL ISRAEL-Kenya weekly service, flying every Wednesday, has been added to the El Al schedule to encourage Israeli tourism to Africa. The organizers — the airline and Disenbaum Tours — say the programme includes IL6,800 (plus \$280) 15-day package tours, and 19-day camping tours — at IL5,500 plus \$280 — for students.

Leonard Garment, the U.S. delegate, said the U.S. "will not accept or acknowledge" a commission-approved resolution that says the security of the state is of higher value than the protection of the individual from abuse by the state.

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U.S., Britain denounce UN panel

UNITED NATIONS. — The U.S. and Britain have denounced the work of the UN Human Rights Commission, dominated by Soviet-bloc and Third World nations.

In an apparently coordinated attack, envoys from the two Western nations have charged that the 32-member commission has acted exclusively on complaints against Israel, South Africa and Chile, while ignoring repressive practices by other authoritarian regimes.

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HAIFA MDA CAN NOW FILL BLOOD DEMAND

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA. — The local Magen David Adom blood bank can now meet the entire demand for blood from hospitals in the area. MDA chairman Moshe Rofeh told the press here last week. The bank has put black market dealers, who took several hundred pounds for a pint, out of business.

A citywide drive for blood donations which began on Saturday night ends this evening. "Thanks to the cooperation of employers, institutions, towns, moshavim and kib-

butim, we are receiving 80 per cent more donations than last year," Rofeh said.

The bank dispenses about 1,500 portions a month, against an intake of 1,800, Rofeh said. The balance is processed by the MDA staff into plasma and stored for emergencies. He said the MDA would also set up a second shift to accept blood donations in the afternoon. Every volunteer donor can ask for an "insurance policy" that covers his family in emergencies for one year, he added.



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Can you afford to cut down on your home help?

Post Legal Editor DORIS LANKIN gives the low-down on severance pay

IN THE FRANTIC SEARCH for ways and means of balancing your household budget, what could seem more natural than the deceptively simple device of reducing the amount of domestic help you employ. But a timely word of warning is called for. If you inform your maid that you can no longer afford to employ her as often as before and would like her to come only once a week in future, she is entitled to leave you and to claim severance compensation.

Severance compensation is a fact of life in Israel, but it is one of those facts about which employers are often strangely ignorant, while employees are marvelously, if not always strictly accurately, well-informed. This is particularly marked in the field of domestic employment, where the help, who may be illiterate, will invariably have information about her purported rights at her finger-tips, whereas her employer will find herself floundering in her own ignorance.

The following relevant items of information may, therefore, prove useful, although they are not guaranteed to dispel all confusion. First, the rule of thumb is that if a domestic employee is dismissed, or if she leaves of her own accord because of a deterioration in her conditions of work, she is entitled to severance compensation at the rate of a fortnight's pay for each year of employment, if employed by the day or hour and one month's pay per year if employed on a monthly basis. That means that if your dismissed domestic help was paid by the month, she would be entitled to her latest monthly wage multiplied by the number of years she has worked for you. And if she was paid by the hour, she would be entitled to the latest hourly rate she received, multiplied by the average number of hours she worked during the course of two weeks' times the number of years she was employed by you.

Now take the case of the housewife who wishes to cut down on domestic service. If her help agrees to a reduced work load, and commensurately reduced wages, then all is well. But if her help is not inclined to work fewer hours for less money (which is very often the case, as cleaning the same house once instead of two or three times a week is gruelling hard labour) then she would be entitled to give notice on her grounds that her conditions of

labour have deteriorated, and claim severance compensation. A word of warning: even if your help agrees to stay on once a week, instead of twice, as previously, but you are later compelled by circumstances to stop using her services altogether, you will have to pay her severance compensation for the years during which she worked twice a week in accordance with her latest hourly wage. In other words, although your help may have been working only once a week when you dismiss her, after having worked twice a week for, say, five years, for a much lower wage, you will have to pay her severance compensation for those five years at the rate of twice a week, multiplied by her latest wage scale.

Another would-be economy could also backfire eventually: that is economising by continuing to pay your help the same sum you paid her previously for fewer hours of work a week, instead of raising her wages (which would not constitute a deterioration in conditions). If eventually you have to pay her severance compensation, you will again have to pay her for the years during which she worked longer hours at the rate of wages she receives at the time she is dismissed. The best advice for the budget-conscious housewife is, therefore: if you want to reduce your domestic service expenses, dismiss your help now, before you may have to add to her wages, and pay her severance compensation. Then re-employ her, if she consents, for fewer times a week, after having received her signed agreement to start again from scratch.

WHAT WILL HAPPEN to a benighted housewife who fails to add an officially declared (by the Minister of Labour) cost-of-living increase to her help's wage? Not only will her help be entitled to quit and claim severance pay — at the increased rate of wages — but she would also be entitled to claim back pay from the time the increase was published in the Official Gazette, plus possibly a delayed-payment fine. The same rule applies to any help who is paid less than the legal minimum wage (lately fixed at IL1000 per month for a 47-hour week). But there must be very few home helpers getting less than that nowadays.

There are several other occasions when you might be called upon to



pay your domestic help severance compensation. If, for example, she gets married to a man who resides permanently in another town which is more than 40 kilometres from her own home and is further away from her work than her own home was, or to a man who serves in the permanent army, she is entitled to leave you and get severance compensation. If, however, she remains on after marrying and falls pregnant, you will not be allowed to dismiss her without permission from the Minister of Labour (that is, if she has worked for you for more than six months) and will be obliged to take her back after she has had her three months' maternity leave. You may, however, dismiss her six months after she has returned from leave, on condition, that you pay her severance compensation. If, however, she decides not to come back after her maternity leave and gives as her reason for this decision her desire to look after her baby, you will have to pay her severance compensation (even if she leaves her baby with her mother a little later and starts working for someone else).

If your help develops a sudden yen for the good earth, and decides to go and live in a kibbutz or moshav, she will be entitled to severance compensation if she shows, after six months, that this was not merely a passing fancy but a firm resolve. And if she decides to change domestic service for the police force or the permanent army, you will also have to give her severance compensation.

Inability to continue working because of her own bad health, or that of an immediate member of her family, would also entitle a domestic help to severance compensation. And if she should die when still in your service, you would have to pay her husband and minor children severance compensation.

Popular royal couple

By HENRIETTE BOAS
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

AMSTERDAM. — CROWN PRINCESS Beatrix of The Netherlands and her husband Prince Claus had several official functions of a pleasant nature to attend before leaving for Israel yesterday.

They were present at the gala concert given in Amsterdam by violinist Yehudi Menuhin on the occasion of his 50th birthday, at the end of which he was given the rare distinction of being made a Commander of the Order of Orange-Nassau. Two days later, they had a lively ninth birthday party for their eldest son Willem Alexander. And on April 30, they celebrated — with all Dutchmen everywhere — the 67th birthday of Queen Juliana.

While Queen Juliana was herself brought up very strictly by her mother, Queen Wilhelmina, she allowed her own four daughters much more freedom and this liberal upbringing has been reflected in their choice of marriage partners.

Princess Irene became a Roman Catholic and married Prince Carlos Hugo of Bourbon Parma, a pretender to the Spanish throne. Princess Margriet married a Dutch commoner and the youngest daughter Princess Christina, last



Princess Beatrix and Prince Claus enjoy a joke with their eldest son Willem Alexander. (Camera Press)

year married a Cuban refugee and now lives with him in New York as plain Mrs. Jorge Guillermo.

Princess Beatrix, born in 1938 and the eldest of the four girls, married a young German diplomat, son of minor and impeccable nobility. There was at first considerable opposition to the marriage among the Dutch people, who do not like the Germans, and the wedding in Amsterdam in March 1966 was marred by disturbances. But Prince Claus, who is a quiet and unassuming young man and made a point of learning Dutch rapidly, now enjoys considerable popularity. The fact that the Crown Princess and her hus-

band have three sons probably helped to endear them to the public, who look forward to having a king one day after three queens.

Incidentally, the Lockheed affair to which Prince Bernhard's name has been linked had no effect on the enthusiasm displayed by the Dutch public on the occasion of Queen Juliana's birthday. Moreover rumours that the Queen contemplates abdicating soon in favour of Crown Princess Beatrix seem to have no foundation in fact. Indeed, she would like Beatrix to have several more years of quiet family life with Claus and her children before having to ascend the throne.

Pupils do better with old-fashioned teaching

By RICHARD ELYSTONE

LONDON. — Pupils, especially bright ones, do much better at reading, writing and mathematics with old-fashioned teaching than with "progressive" methods, says a report published on Monday.

A study by a Lancaster University research team found that pupils work harder in formal classrooms and therefore perform better on tests. The survey covered 871 primary schools in Lancashire and Cumbria counties and lasted four years.

Teachers were rated in seven categories ranging from extremely traditional to extremely progressive, with progressiveness characterized by informality, freedom of choice for the pupil, de-emphasis of tests and the blurring of divisions between subjects.

Testing 101 pupils aged 10 to 12½ at the beginning and end of school years, the researchers found that in reading age, pupils from formal classrooms did better than those from progressive classrooms by three to four months a year. In mathematics, the pupils of formal classrooms were four to five months ahead and in English the gap was three to four months.

The report also concluded from examples of creative writing that discipline and clearly structured teaching methods do not inhibit children's imaginations. The researchers found few differences that could be attributed to teaching style. The report also noted that in creative writing, "informal" pupils were worse at punctuation but not notably worse at grammar, and from that argued that good grammar can be achieved without stifling creation.

The difference between formal

and informal schools was particularly pronounced with the brightest boys and girls, the report said. It said the able children did notably less work and achieved notably lower scores in progressive schools.

The report, published in a book entitled "Teaching Styles and Pupil Progress," takes little account of some untestable goals of progressive teaching, such as social and moral growth.

In 1967, the government-sponsored Plowden Commission recommended that Britain change its traditional teaching practices and adopt some of the "progressive" techniques used in the United States. In the last decade the government has been deliberately breaking down Britain's old class-oriented educational system and promoting "comprehensive" schools, which advocates say are more democratic but critics say are depressing the quality of education for all pupils. (AP)

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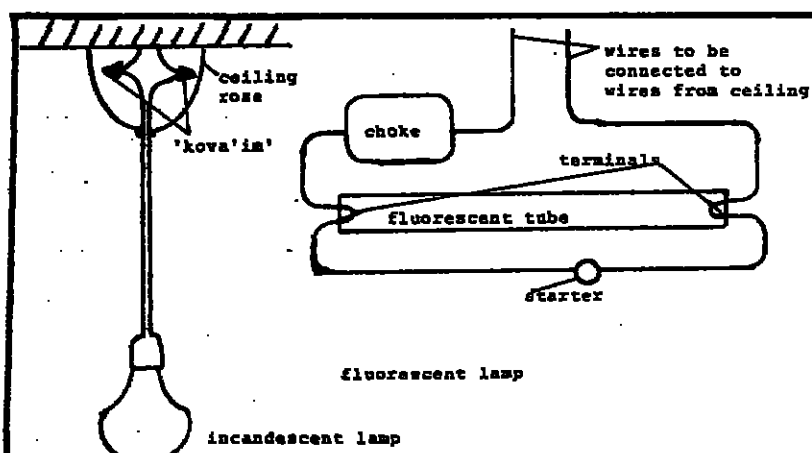
Fitting a fluorescent light

MANY PEOPLE dislike fluorescent lighting because of the sometimes audible hum and the apparent flicker. But these are faults, and can be corrected. Mains hum is caused by vibration of the choke laminations and can be alleviated by replacing the choke. Flicker can be lessened by putting an opal diffuser over the tube.

The light from a fluorescent lamp, "cold," in contradistinction to the ordinary incandescent lamp which comes white hot before it emits light and a considerable amount of wasted heat. A 40 watt fluorescent tube emits much more light than the same wattage incandescent lamp, and because it is not a "point" source of shadows it gives a much more diffused light.

A complete fluorescent lamp fitting, including the tube, costs about \$6. For another IL40 you can buy a plastic diffuser which clips over the tube and gives a very neat appearance while also cutting down the flicker.

REMOVE the fuse for the light you wish to change. Unscrew the plastic holder holding the ceiling rose in position and slide the rose down the wall. Unscrew the cone-shaped hangers (kova'im) and disconnect the two wires which keep apart the two live wires emerging from the ceiling. Remove the casing from the fluorescent holder. Place the holder in the ceiling so that the two ceiling wires will go through the hole in the holder. Line up the holder on the ceiling and mark with a pencil through the holes on the ceiling. Take care



that your drilling marks are not over the direction of the hidden ceiling wire. (This is in a straight overhead line in the direction of the switch.) Drill 1½" holes in the ceiling with a 1/4" masonry bit (vidua) and tap in green plastic wall plugs 1½" long. Screw the metal base firmly to the ceiling with the 6cm screws provided. Join one lead from the ceiling to the lead from the choke and the other ceiling lead to the wire from the terminal. Then screw the cover back on to the base. Take great care that no

wires are pinched between the metal parts and that no bare wires touch any part of the casing.

Insert the starter (the small metal cylinder with two peg-like terminals underneath) into its socket, press in and give a half turn clockwise to lock it in position. Insert the two pins at one end of the fluorescent tube in the spring-ended terminal and press in so that the other end can be inserted in its socket. Replace the fuse and the lamp can then be switched on.

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MIRIAM FLAM in the second exhibition of her ceramic sculpture, both free-standing and flat for hanging, exchanges her previous dominant red and black glazes for greenish, grey

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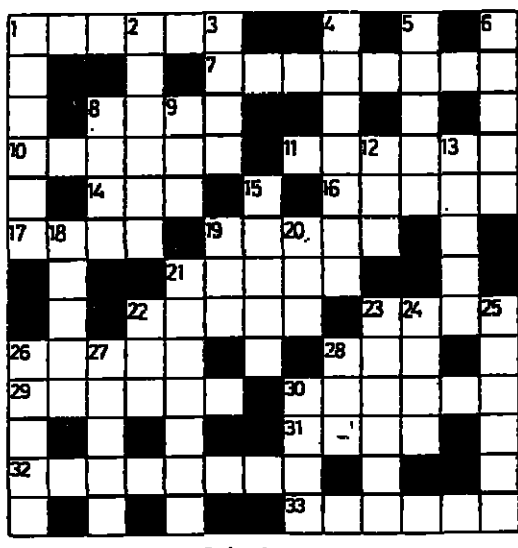
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- Scottish soccer centres (8)
 - Mr. Ash's nonsense (5, 3)
 - Sort of saddle some ladies distort (4)
 - Be inclined to bring pressure to bear (4, 2)
 - Maintain a name for wild glee (6)
 - Sort of canteen, popular when it's rainy? (3)
 - Letter to copy and duplicate in tailoring (5)
 - Stick to the point, also (4)
 - Cash promised by a spider? (5)
 - Wandering dog? (5)
 - Two-way decline (5)
 - Tool for fashioning a spear (4)
 - The usefulness of some ritual (5)
 - Mark many a beast (3)
 - In which there's togetherness (6)
 - Lowly bachelor's place (6)
 - It's said to be obtained from salmon (4)
 - Can't cry out for a lift, possibly (8)
 - Fashions pen-name (6)
- DOWN
- Like a tree in the valley (6)
 - Provided water for a dinner (5)
 - Gum nest, maybe (4)
 - Like the thirteenth all in (7)
 - Unpleasant type in a go-down (5)
 - Something hard to sharpen knives on (5)
 - Out an article in various ways (4)
 - Like the girl I had when small (3)
 - Song of the last minstrel? (7)
 - Some insurgents' officers? (5)



EASY PUZZLE

- ACROSS
- After-lunch nap (3)
 - Sheerless apron (5)
 - Melody (4)
 - Yesties (6)
 - Erase (6)
 - Church seat (3)
 - Tooth (5)
 - Always (4)
 - Gum weight (5)
 - Ship's room (5)
 - Assess (3)
 - Appear (4)
 - Start (5)
 - Reverie (3)
 - Beast (6)
 - Ship's officer (8)
 - Do as ordered (5)
 - Voters (8)
 - Throated (6)
- DOWN
- Roll and bubble (5)
 - Crookery item (3)
 - Uncovered (5)
 - Domestic (3)
 - Wooden vessel (5)
 - Mail (4)

Friday's Cryptic solution
ACROSS—1. Sheet, 5. River, 9. SS-offer, 10. Fa-ah, 11. Vista, 12. Shure, 13. Seance, 14. Nip, 17. Frog, 18. Smale, 19. Udd, 20. Aching, 21. Udd, 22. Fa, 23. Cruiser, 24. S-cry, 27. Fomil, 28. Bobin, 29. Angel-m, 30. Lyring, 31. Baker.
DOWN—2. Healer, 3. Ob-long, 4. Try, 5. Hills, 6. Eerie, 7. Iris, 8. Enail, 12. Befog, 13. Strap(hanger), 14. Aught, 15. Nines, 16. Peck, 18. Aching, 19. Udd, 20. Aching, 21. Udd, 22. Fa, 23. Cruiser, 24. S-cry, 27. Fomil, 28. Bobin, 29. Angel-m, 30. Lyring, 31. Baker.

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SADAT'S PROBLEMS

EGYPT IS IN profound trouble, and it is some consolation that its leaders, at least, are not unaware of its terrible predicament. With a galloping birthrate, a creeping rate of development, and a monumental trade gap, Egypt today faces total bankruptcy.

This is a matter of grave and immediate concern to Israel, as Egypt's neighbour, and for good reason. It was in order to stave off economic catastrophe that in October, 1973, with its cupboard virtually bare, President Anwar Sadat took Egypt to war, as he himself later testified. The benefits obtained by Egypt through the war were largely in the form of promises of vast aid by the oil-rich Arab rulers. These promises have been kept only in small part, and the terrible losses caused by the war are still to be repaired. Despite a seeming upsurge in reconstruction, notably in the cities of the Canal, Egypt remains as desperately bogged down in the quagmire of poverty as ever.

Sadat's May Day speech on Saturday suggests that he is fully alive to the dimensions of the crisis, and, what is more important, and somewhat out of character for an Egyptian ruler, that he is determined to share some of his information with the people. His message, to be sure, is not one of despondency but of hope. There is light at the end of the tunnel, he says: in a mere five years current investments will start bearing fruit — Egypt will, for example, be producing a million barrels of oil a day — and then the suffering of the Egyptian masses will at long last begin to ease.

Pipe dream or not, Sadat's vision requires a period of tranquility for its realization. That means putting off war with Israel. It also means that Egypt must not be dragged into war against its better judgment by Arab hot-heads, such as those in Damascus, who, to put it mildly, do not have Egypt's welfare very close at heart. That is why Sadat, as he made clear in his speech, is so anxious for Syria to extend Umdof's mandate at the end of the month, and without unnecessary ado.

At the same time, Sadat cannot afford to make it appear that he is preoccupied with the salvation of the Egyptian people. His Egypt, in the usual manner of speaking, must uphold its pre-eminence as the leading Arab nation. The Egyptian army must be provided at all cost with the military hardware that is the mark of power and glory. The oil sheikhs must be satisfied that their moneys would be utilized to fortify Egypt in its fight for "the Arab cause," especially the "cause of the Palestinians."

Plumming for the Palestinians no doubt comes easy to Sadat now that it is not he but Hafez Assad who is embroiled with the PLO. So the polemic with Yasser Arafat over the Sinai accord is all but muted, and Sadat's sternest words are directed at those who would, in his words, "undermine the position and the free will" of the Palestinian organizations in Lebanon. By wrapping himself up in the Palestinian flag, the Egyptian leader must think he can painlessly demonstrate his Arab patriotism, and even help solve some of his domestic problems.

That is, of course, precisely what the late King Farouk thought when he gave his army its marching orders into newly-founded Israel almost exactly 28 years ago. President Sadat might do no worse than ponder that experience, and its legacy.

What kind of military leadership do we need?

Being a leader in Zahal is far harder in this post-Yom Kippur War period, says Aluf (Res.) YISRAEL TAL, Assistant to the Defence Minister. Here, he discusses the reasons for this change and what is expected from our military commanders today. (Memorial Day for Israel's Fallen starts tonight.)

Liberation, in the reprisal actions, in Operation Kadesh, and certainly in the Six Day War, the consensus remained and it was no problem to be an effective military leader.

The Yom Kippur War brought about a radical change. The war was fought on a virtual vacuum of the moment, and the national consensus remained — but only because there was no time then for mutual recrimination. So for the first time in our history we waged a war without a firm consensus but with one that the need to win that war imposed on us. We gritted our teeth and closed ranks — the way quarrelling tenants of a burning building unite to put out the fire, and only then start looking for those guilty of having allowed the fire to start and spread.

Our nation is living in a period of frustration, doubt, and difference of opinion over our very aims, and of shaken faith in our national and military leadership. We are no longer propelled by a sense of common goal that can be taken for granted. Field Marshal Sir Archibald Wavell once wrote in a letter: "The British soldier possesses a degree of tolerance that extends even to the mistakes of his superiors. His faith in his leaders is not undermined even if they are not blessed with success."

That's the British for you. Since the Yom Kippur War, we Israelis seem to represent the diametrically opposite pole: intolerant, inconsiderate, unwilling to take mitigating circumstances into account and forgive. Our public is incapable of forgiving its military and political leadership, or even to extend credit to its new leaders. We do not help to enable the new leader to succeed; in fact, we make it difficult.

WHAT CAN WE DO to restore our national consensus? And what does this new situation mean from the point of view of the Israeli military commander?

The answer to the first question lies with our national leadership. It is up to them to imbue the nation again with the sense of common goal by social and economic reform, by a balanced and bold foreign and security policy.

The answer to the second question lies with the military leaders. Just as there are factors which make leadership in Israel difficult in this period, there are others which facilitate leadership. There is no doubt that our sense of danger and of common fate has become sharper than ever. There is a general desire for change. Never in our history has the individual felt so personally involved.

Today we find a powerful readiness of the individual to lend a hand. And our leadership must make use of this individual readiness.

Yet, this is not enough, and a number of operational measures must be taken, however unpopular they may be. The new situation requires greater reliance on the formal-organizational side, on formal authority, on careful attention to the operational framework.

We have always operated on the principle that techniques and drills were basic schemes that allowed for implementation according to need, based on the commander's on-the-spot judgement. Today we must be stricter about implementation adhering closer to the formal framework and to disciplinary principles. An order must be carried out as such! Authority is such only when there is discipline, and vice versa.

At the same time, the commander must be a first-class professional. In summary, leadership in our post-Yom Kippur War situation must be based on what is worthy and not merely on what is conventional. Correct leadership may not make you popular, but in the crunch you will find that cheap, opportunistic, popularity-seeking leadership will only gain you the contempt of those you are leading.

From a talk delivered before Israel Defence Forces commanders and published in "Maarachol." Condensed and translated by Moshe Kohn.

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POSTSCRIPTS

A JERUSALEM reader has sent us a pleasant recollection for Independence Day eve.

In 1952, she and her husband lived in Rehavia and their two-year-old daughter was allowed out alone in what was then a quiet lane running between Rehov Ramban and Rehov Kerem Hakeyemet.

"Navah would take her doll and go out every morning to meet her 'uncle', a small man with an aureole of white hair who used to walk along that lane at the same hour every morning on his way from his home to his office. She would run towards him, he would pick her up and swing her around a couple of times, put her down, ask how she and her doll were feeling, then give her a kiss, and walk on. Only then would Navah come home for her breakfast.

"The 'uncle', of course, was David Ben-Gurion.

"Five years later, Navah was singing with the Yefeh Nof School choir at the Independence Day Eve ceremony on Mt. Herzl. The Prime Minister caught sight of her, walked over and said with a twinkle: "Don't you say 'shalom' to your uncle any more? Or have you forgotten me?" By then all of seven years old, Navah was very embarrassed but she managed to say: "How did you recognize me?" And Ben-Gurion told her that he never forgot his young friends.

A HAIFA READER writes to tell us about the adventures of a letter he has just received. Addressed correctly to his Post Office Box in Haifa, Israel, the letter was mailed from England on April 26. It reached him only on April 28. Delay was explained by the p marks on the reverse side of envelope.

On April 14, at 2 p.m., the letter arrived at the town of Ramlah in British Solomon Islands and on April 20 it turned up at the General Post Office at the airport of Sydney, Australia. Six days later it reached its real destination in Haifa.

Our reader notes that this journey, of more than 10,000 miles, cost only 10½ pence, or about 12 cents.

PORNOGRAPHY was very much the air in Haifa Port last week, reporter there told us.

The material was imported untingly in the form of used newspapers for pulping. But there was not concealed in the very exp. photographs in the Swedish magazines included in the 800-ton old newspapers which arrived at the Hadera Paper Mills.

Our reporter was on the quay a few glossy pages were blown towards him by the wind. He, the stevedores were hugely amused at their unexpected treasure trove and the magazines were being hauled round at the breakfast break.

In the passenger hall, on the other hand, customs officials were looking through the luggage of returning Israeli sailors in search of ill items — which include pornography.

ISRAEL PRESS

Deportation of activists

HA'ARETZ (independent) takes issue with the fact that on March 27th two Arab activists were deported before their appeal to the High Court against their deportation could even be heard. This was done at the orders of the Attorney-General, Prof. Aharon Barak, who now in a letter to the judge who was to have heard the case has tried to justify it on the grounds of "urgent security needs." In reply, the paper quotes a former attorney-general as saying: "If the matter was so urgent that the deportation could not be deferred under any circumstances, what the Attorney-General should have done was to request the judge to expedite the hearing, instead of by-passing it altogether."

"In acting as he did, the Attorney-General yielded to pressure from the executive arm instead of standing up for the rule of law. It is to be hoped that this case will prove to have been an exception."

AL HAMISHMAR (Mapam) expresses satisfaction at the large turnout at a May Day Jewish-Arab solidarity rally at Mishmar Ha'emek. "This underscores the fact that the two peoples are really one family, and this relationship cannot be obscured by nationalist incite-

ment from outside or political weaknesses from within. The fact is that in the State of Israel the Arab citizens enjoy equal rights and that all of us, Jewish and Arab, are marching arm in arm in the campaign to beat swords into ploughshares, and to bring about peace. The large turnout was a living symbol of fellowship between the two peoples."

DAVAR (Histadrut), commenting on the Labour Alignment, says that there is no doubt that the majority in both parties making up the Alignment — the Labour Party and Mapam — are interested in the continuation of the Alignment. "Yet this is not enough. The cement binding the two parties together is at present relatively weak, and clarification of positions and intentions, both in the political and economic spheres, is called for. As far as Labour is concerned, there is no room for changes in its platform. But there is a need for clearer interpretation at the level of implementation. One can hardly continue with the absurd situation whereby proponents of maximal territorial concessions can stand up on the same platform with those calling for the integrity of the land of Israel."

Sen. Adlai Stevenson reports back Israel government 'too weak' to prevent West Bank settlements

WASHINGTON. — SENATOR Adlai E. Stevenson (Dem., Illinois) says that the Israel Government, "hemmed in by the moderate and passionate sentiments of a minority," defends "angrily" in public Israel's settlements on the West Bank and the Golan Heights, but "not at all in private."

In a report on his recent tour of the Middle East just submitted to the Senate Banking Committee, Stevenson also said that "an Israeli Government with a precarious majority is too weak to prevent certain actions by Israeli citizens which are highly provocative to the Palestinians, such as the establishment of new settlements on the West Bank."

In complaining about the weakness of the Government, the Senator, who was in the Middle East during February 10-25, echoed the familiar complaints made by Administration officials, especially in the State Department, who have regularly lamented what they consider to be the "shortsighted" constraints of domestic Israeli politics. Stevenson held talks in Jerusalem with, among others, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, Defence Minister Shimon Peres, and Foreign Minister, Yigal Allon. Other American officials here confirmed that the Israeli leadership, aware of the strong opposition of the U.S.,

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Jerusalem Post Correspondent

appears recently to have stopped defending Israel's policy of establishing settlements in this emotion-charged area, he is at least less immoderate than others in the PLO. Leaders of neighbouring Arab states, such as the Syrians, take tougher positions than Arafat. He said that the "Palestinian leadership appears, at least for the time being, to have renounced terrorism as an instrument of policy, thereby winning favour among those willing to forget the horror of Munich and Lod."

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FAMILY PLANNING PILOT PROJECT

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post Sir, — I wish to compliment you on your feature article on "Birth control in Israel" (April 18). Your broad coverage highlighted both the lack of a coherent policy on this vital topic and the absence of efficient and accessible services to the public at large.

Permit me at the same time to rectify a statement concerning the sponsorship of a pilot project currently carried out by the Jerusalem Municipality Public Health Department, the Misgav Ledach Hospital, and the Paul Baerwald School of Social Work, Hebrew University. Contrary to your statement, this project, which aims at introducing social work counselling into the already existing family planning service system of the Misgav Ledach Hospital Clinic and the municipal

mother and child care stations, so far not received support from governmental body. The project funded by the Israeli Association Family Planning and assisted by Municipal Department of Family and Community through the late District Office in the South Jerusalem.

With the increasing awareness of the importance of this subject, our hope to enlist support governmental bodies in the future. It is noteworthy that the major emphasis of the service presently developed is to help families make choices with regard to their future. Thus the focus is on family planning rather than on prevention of pregnancies.

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